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EXHIBIT 6

PROCESS OF MARITIME ATTACHMENT AND GARNISHMENT

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

To the MARSHAL of the UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS a Verified Complaint has been filed in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on the 9th day of August, 2007, and styled:

PRESTIGIOUS SHIPPING CO. LTD.,

Plaintiff,

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AGROCORP INTERNATIONAL PTE. LTD.,

Defendant.

in a certain action for amounts due the Plaintiff from the Defendant in connection with a claim for breach of a maritime contract for the charter of the vessel MV Prestigious, and praying for Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment against the said Defendant in the amount of \$2,160,761.06; and,

WHEREAS, this Process is issued pursuant to such prayer and requires that a garnishee shall serve its Answer, together with answers to any Interrogatories served with the Verified Complaint, within 20 days after service of process upon him and requires that Defendant shall serve their Answer within 30 days after process has been executed, whether by attachment of property or service on the garnishees or arrest of property within the possession of the garnishees.

NOW, THEREFORE, we do hereby command you that if the said Defendant cannot be found within the District, you attach all assets, cash, funds, escrow funds, credits, wire transfers, electronic fund transfers, accounts, letters of credit, freights, sub-freights, charter hire, sub-

charter hire, or any other assets of, belonging to, due or being transferred for the benefit of the Defendant, Agrocorp International Pte. Ltd., as may be in the possession, custody or control of, or being transferred through ABN Amro, Atlantic Bank of New York, American Express Bank, Bank of America, BNP Paribas, Calyon, Citibank, Deutsche Bank, HSBC USA Bank NA, JPMorgan Chase Bank, Natexis Banques Populaires, Rabobank Nederland, Standard Chartered Bank, The Bank of New York, and/or Wachovia Bank, together with any such assets as may be held by any other garnishee(s) on whom a copy of this Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment may be served, and that you seize them and promptly after execution of this process, file the same in this Court with your return thereon.

WITNESS, the Honorable Collect M C Mohor United States District Judge of said Court, this 10 th day of August, 2007, and of our Independence the two hundred and thirtieth.

J. MICHAEL McMAHON

Clerk

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By: N Clock

NOTE: This process is issued pursuant to Rule B(1) and Rule C of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

A CERTIFIED COPY

J. MICHAEL MCMAHON.

CLERK

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EXHIBIT 7

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Sugar Charter-Party 1999

DATE 21ST OF FEBRUARY 2005

1	CHARTERERSI	It is	this day mutually agreed Between agrocorp. International etc. Ltd. Singapore Chamerers
	OWNERS	1.	and Owners MESSRS PRESTIGIOUS SHIPPING CO., LTD
			of the good motor vestel called the M/V "I.B.E.D. 4.1.4.4.4.4.4.5
		2.	
	OF VESSEL		Summer deadweight (salt water): 22,669 MT Fully loaded draught (summer marks) salt water: LOA/Bearn: 164,33/22,86 M
			Engines located amidships/aft: Number of Holds/Hatches: 5. Hatch Sizes:
			Engines iocated annusmps/an: Number of frondstranding.
	•		Constitution recently union acceptus managers SEE CLAUSE 30
			Grain (inclinating vessel a dato) proceed over Spread. Turned sheet if any to be floored over Spread. Bale/Grain Cubic:(1,091,470/
			Tunnel shaft, if any, to be floored over. Speed: 1,057,710) Last
•			(a) Observe augmentee that the vector is fully inquired for Hill and Machinery risks. Owners guarantee that the vector is fully inquired for Hill and Machinery risks.
			is insured with
	-		1197) and that the vessel will remain fully covered for the duration of this voyage.
			(b) Owners guggentes that the vertel is fidly P & I covered with
			and that the vessel will remain fully covered for the duration of this voyage.
	4		(c) Owners guarantee that the vessel will not change flag/class/Ownership/Managers/P & I Club coverage during
			the currency of this Charter-Party without Charterer's prior consent.
			(d) Owners guarantee: (i) that the vessel carries and will do so for the duration of the voyage all certificates and other documentation
	•		(i) that the vessel carries and will do so for the duration of the voyage all certificates and other documentation wherever required by her flag state authorities and/or the authorities at any place of call under this
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			(ii) that, from the date of coming into force of the International Safety Management (ISM) Code in relation to the vessel and thereafter during the currency of the voyage both the vessel and "the Company" (as defined
			by the ISM Code) shall comply with the requirements of the ISM Code. Upon request the Owners shall
			provide the Charterers with a copy of the relevant document of compliance and Safety Management Certificate.
			Compliance by the Owners with the provisions of this Clause 2(d) is a condition of this Charter-Party the
			breach thereof will entitle the Charterers to claim damages for any costs/consequences arising as a result
			and/or at any time cancel this Charter-Party.
	POSITION	3.	Now VESSEL CURRENTLY DISCHARGING BAGGED RICE AT PORT HARCOURT WITH ABOUT 8,500 MIS LEFT
		٧.	ON BOARD ABD ETC/S 22ND FEBRUARY ACH/MP, BEST ETA, SANTOS, 6TH MARCH ACM/MP/UCAE 3
			that the said vessel being tight, staunch, strong and in every way fitted for the yoyage including the fulfilment of all
			documentary requirements for the service contemplated by this Charter-Party, shall with all Charter-Party speed.
	LOADING AREA	4.	weather permitting, sail and proceed to .1-2, SAFE, RERTH, SANTOS CHARTERERS GUARANTEE, HINIMAN
			.10,65,MTS DRAFT. and there load always affoct, or said
	•		aground where vessels of similar size are accustomed to lie in sufery, at ONE or TWO safe ports, ONE or TWO safe
	-		loading berths and/or safe loading anchorages each port, as ordered, from the Factors of the said Charterers, a full
	DESCRIPTION	5.	and complete cargo of MINIMOM / MAXIMUM 21.000 METRIC TONS UPTO MAX 21.500 METRIC TONS
	OF CARGO		IN CHNERS' OPTION OF BAGGED SUGAR SF ABOUT 48' MITHOUT GUARANTEE
			metric tons
			which the said Charterers bind themselves to ship, always under ship's deck in cargo holds only. The said cargo to be brought to and taken from alongside, free of expense and risk to the ship, and being so laden shall proceed with all
	DISCHARGING AREA		brought to and taken from alongside, free of expense and risk to the ship, and being so laden shall proceed with all Charter-Party speed as directed to 1-2 SAFE BERTH AND/OR ANCHORAGES CHITTAGONG. CHARTERERS
	DISCHARDING AREA		GUARANTEE, MINIMIM, 10.65, MTS, DRAFT.
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			or so near thereunto as she may sufely get always afloat or safe-aground where vessels of similar size are accustomed
			to lie in sufery, and there deliver the same in ONE or TWO safe discharging berths and/or safe discharging anchorages
			each port as ordered, on being paid freight "as per agreement".
	EXCEPTIONS	6.	The Act of God, perils of the sea, fire on board, in hulk or craft, or on shore, crew, enemies, pirates, and thieves.
			arrests and restraints of princes, rulers and people, collisions, stranding, and other accidents of navigation excepted,
			even when occasioned by negligence, default, or error in judgement of the Pilot, Master, mariners or other servants
		i	of the Shipowners. Not answerable for any loss or damage arising from explosion, bursting of boilers, breakages of
	RIGHT TO APPOINT		shafts, or any latent defect in the machinery or hull, not resulting from want of due diligence by the Owners of the
PROTEC	TING ACENTS BOTH ENDS.	_	ship, or any of them, or by the ship's Husband or Manager.
	AGENTS	7.	At port(s) of loading and discharging Owners to appoint, employ and to be solely responsible for Agents, as selected
	TIVEGODIEG	· · · · · ·	by Charterers without risk or liability to Charterers, for all ship's business, owners paying the agency fees.
	TAXESIDUESI	8.	Except for the taxes and/or dues specified below all taxes and/or dues on vessel and/or freight at load/discharge ports
	DISBURSEMENTS		to be for Owners' account and all taxes and/or dues on cargo to be for Shippers' account at load port(s) and Receivers'
			account at discharge port(s). [/LEVIES] RECEIVERS/CHARTERERS
			(a) In BRAZIL - SEE CLAUSE 35. Brazilian Merchant Marine Renewal Tax, Quota da Provedencia, Contribuição da Unido and Port Utilisation Tax
	•		to be for Shipport' account. All other customary taxes and/or dues on the vessel to be for Owners' account.
			(b) In CERMANY
			Quay, Weight and Tonnage Duce to be for Shippers' account.
			(e) In MOROCCO
			Reage Dues to be for Receivers' account
			(d) In SPAIN
			Tennage Tur to be for Owners' account.
			(a) In PORTUGAL
			Gold Duce (Commercial Maritime Tax) to be for Receivers account.
			(-) In YEMEN
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for all loss or damage caused thereby.

No bags to be cut for stowage purposes. Ship to be responsible for all loss sustained in the event of bags

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	•		ENERAL 18. Vessel to be in possession of a valid certificate of efficiency for wateres and derricks/cranes, power, and 185	
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ŀ	·		DOWN OCCURED. or insufficient power and/or failure of lights, the laytime to be extended into lost pro-rata to be deducted from same. 1900 DOWN OCCURED. relation to the number of working gange available. If on demurrage, time lost pro-rata to be deducted from same. 1900 DOWN OCCURED.	
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			to low and assist vessels in distress for Owners benefit, or to a	22
1			of saving life or property.	23
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,	E	•	of discharging. Demurrage or despatch to be settled directly between Owners and Chancerers in accordance with the terms, conditions	. 2

Case 1:07-cv-07101-CM Document 30-3 Filed 10/05/2007 Page 8 of 31 , per day or pro rata melusive of bunkers but less commission However, if the vessel waits at a place where the vessel is able to tender her notice of readiness then Charterers may elect to commence laytime as per Charter-Party. Overtime to be for account of the party ordering it. Officers and Crew overtime always to be for account of the vessel OVERTIME If ordered by Port Authorities at loading/discharging ports to be for Shippurs/Receivers account. [CHARTERERS] STEVEDORES Any extra insurance for cargo and/or prepaid freight owing to vessel's age and/or class and/or flag and/or Ownership EXTRA INSURANCE 26. to be for Ownerstaccount, and same to be deducted without documentation from freight. CHARTERERS Should more than one load or one discharge port be used vessel to be left in seaworthy trim to Master's satisfaction SEAWORTHY TRIM 27. for voyage between ports of loading or ports of discharging. In the event that whilst at or off the loading place or discharging place the loading and/or discharging of the vessel is STRIKES AND prevented or delayed by any of the following occurrences: strikes, riots, civil commotions, lockouts of men, accidents FORCE MAJEURE and/or breakdowns on railways, stoppages on railway and/or river and/or canal by ice or trust, mechanical breakdowns at mechanical loading plants, government interferences, vessel being inoperative or rendered inoperative due to the terms and conditions of employment of the Officers and Crew, time so lost shall not count as laytune or time on 1994 demurrage or detention. General Average, if any, shall be settled in London, as per York-Antwerp Rules 1994 and subsequent amendments. GENERAL AVERAGE Either party shall be discharged and released from all liability in respect of any claim or claims which either party may TIME BAR have under this Charter-Party and such claim or claims shall be totally extinguished, unless such claim or claims have been notified in detail to either party in writing within 12 (twelve) months from completion of discharge of the appropriate eargo under this Charter-Party. All disputes from time to time arising out of, or in connection with, this Charter-Party shall, unless the parties agree ARBITRATION forthwith on a single arbitrator, be referred to the final arbitrament of two arbitrators, one to be appointed by each of the parties, with power to such arbitrators to appoint an umpire. The arbitrators shall be commercial men with knowledge of shipping and freight matters or members of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association. The arbitration to take place in London. If a party fails to appoint an arbitrator within 14 days of being called to do so, the other party may. in order to complete the arbitration tribunal, apply to the President of the LMAA for the appointment of an arbitrator. on behalf of that party. The award of the sole arbitrator, two arbitrators or the umpire (as the case may be) shall be final and binding on both parties. No award shall be questioned or invalidated on the grounds that any of the arbitrators is not qualified as above, unless objection to his acting be taken during appointment. By mutual agreement the parties also have the option to adopt London Maritime Arbitrators Association Small Claims Procedure. This Charter-Party is governed by and construed in accordance with English Law. Owners guarantee that the vessel fixed under this Charter is not wholly or partially owned by Israeli interests, and will ARAB BLACK LIST not call at any Israeli ports from date of fixture until completion of discharge of this cargo. Owners further guarantee that this vessel is not on the Arab Black List, and undertake to provide a certificate from Arab Authorities, if so required. and allow Bills of Lading to be so attested, if requested. SUB-LET Changerers have the option of sub-letting this Charter Party, they remaining responsible to Owners for payment of freight and due fulfilment of terms of this Charter Party. SATELLITE TRACKING If required by Charterers/Shippers/Receivers or the cargo underwriters, a satellite tracking device may be placed on ٦,,٦ the vessel at the port of loading, carried free of charge and removed prior to completion of discharge. If required by Charterers, Owners undertake to issue or otherwise supply any letters or certificates in connection with **CERTIFICATES** 397 vessel's classification, registration, age, flag, gear, details of vessel's entry into P and I Club or any other certificates required by Charterers. BREAKING UP Owners guarantee that this vessel has not already been sold for breaking up nor will be sold for breaking up during the 36. currency of this Charter-Party. War Risks Clauses 1 and 2, Both-to-Blame Collision Clause. New Jason Clause and P & 1 Bunkering Clauserare PROTECTIVES deemed to be incorporated in this Chaner-Party, AND THE BILLS OF LADING. CLAUSE PARAMOUNT SECRECY Under no circumstances are Owners and Brokers concerned in the fixture of this vessel to divulge any details of this 38. fixture whatsoever to anyone outside their own organisation.

RIDER CLAUSES 39 TO 64 AND WAR RISKS CLAUSE "VOYWAR 1993" AS ATTACHED ARE DEEMED TO BE INCORPORATED AS A PART OF THIS CHARTER PARTY.

THE OWNERS

OWNERS

PRESTIGIOUS SHIPPING COMPANY LTD

CHARTERERS

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Rider

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	(This Rider is deemed	d fully incorporated in b	ut not to be attached to	Charter-Party)		
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Additional Clauses to the Charter Party of M/V PRESTIGIOUS, account AGROCORP INTERNATIONAL PTE LTD Dated the 21st of February 2005

30. Vessel's Description

MV PRESTIGIUS

FORTUNE TYPE - SELFTRIMMING FLAG: MALTA ABT 22669 MTS ON 9,87 M TPC 33 BLT 1978 JPN SUEZ CANAL: GROSS 14024 NET 11503 PANAMA CANAL: GROSS 14105 NET 11326 DIM:LOA/164,33M BEAM/22,86M GT/NT:14126/8787 GRAIN/BALE:1,091,470/1,057,710 CBFT 5HO/5HA HATCHCVRS STEEL, JACK KNIFE - CO2 FTD SPEED/CONS:11 KTS BSS BEAUFORT4 HATCH DIMS (LXB) NO.1 14.10 X 12.50 M 203540 / 195240 CBFT NO.2 16.00 X 12.50 M 247960 / 239840 CBFT NO.3 9.80 X 12.50 M 161460 / 160760 CBFT NO.4 16.00 X 12.50 M 244880 / 236750 CBFT NO.5 16.00 X 12.50 M 233630 / 225120 CBFT HOLDS DIMS - LENGTH X WIDTH X HEIGHT/HEIGHT TO CENT DIV NO.1 24,0 M X 5,5 M FORE/19,0 M AFT X 10,4 M/9,2 M NO.2 24,8 M X 19,2 M FORE/21,2 M AFT X 10,4 M/9,2 M NO.3 17,6 M X 20,4 M FORE/20,4 M AFT X 10,4 M NO.4 24,8 M X 21,2 M FORE/20,4 M AFT X 10,4 M/9,2 M NO.5 25,7 M X 19,6 M FORE/ 9,6 M AFT X 10,4 M/9,2 M GEAR: 5 UCG(CRANES) OF 10 TNS CLASS: ABS PANDI: AMERICAN CLUB ALL DTLS ABT WOG

VENTILATION: NATURAL

TANK TOP STRENGTHS:
FOR STEELS AND HEAVY PIECES:
HOLD NO.1. - 11.4MT PSM
HOLD NO.2. - 13.0MT PSM
HOLD NO.3. - 21.0MT PSM
HOLD NO.4. - 13.0MT PSM
HOLD NO.5. - 12.7MT PSM
FOR HOMOGENOUS CARGO (WHT ETC):HOLD NO.1. - 7.3MT PSM
HOLD NOS.2/3/4 - 8.4MT PSM
HOLD NO.1. - 8.0MT

HAS FEEDING HOLES IN THE HATCH COVERS.

Vessels UNIVERSAL CARGO GEAR are fully operative as per swl given in descr

Vessel is fully PandI covered, which shall be maintained. VSL IS WITH THE AMERICAN CLUB

Owners confirm/warrant that:

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Vessel is in all respects suitable for the safe load, carriage and discharge bgd sugar and that all pertaining international certificates are on board. Vessel to be in possesion of approved grain loading plan in accordance with the local and international regulations

Vessels cranes are fully operative as per swl given in descr

Vessel shall not change ownership and/or class without Charterers' written consent.

Vessel's hull and machinery insurance shall be fully maintained and will not be changed.

Vessel is fully PandI covered, which shall be maintained.

Vessel will not be scheduled for break up or sold for scrap during this charter respectively upon completion of this charter.

Charterers will have free use of vessel's gear which to be left in full working order for immediate use throughout the currency of the Charter Party and winches serve all the hatches.

Owise as per owns reply to chrts' quaire below which to form part of the c/p

1) type of ownership : ACTUAL OWNER

- 2) legal name and address: PRESTIGIOUS SHG. CO. LTD. OF MALTA
- 2.2 owners by virtue of a charter party (please state what type of
 cp) : NOT APPLICABLE
- 2.3 managers for the actual owners: FULL STYLE/ADDRESS OF OPERATING CO FOR CORRESPONDENCE UNIVERSAL NAVIGATION PTE LTD 3, SHENTON WAY, 11-04, SHENTON HOUSE, SINGAPORE 068805. TEL:65-63241466 FAX:65-63236062 TLX:24974 UNINGN RS COMTEXT:A21RS861 E-MAIL: UNINAV@PACIFIC.NET.SG
- 2.4 managers for the actual owners by virtue of a cp (disponent owners).: NOT APPLICABLE
- 2.5 bare boat owners, if any: NOT APPLLICABLE
- 3) since when is the vessel under present -
- 3.1 ownership APRIL 2004
- 3.2 management pls state previous names COSMO SHIPPING, PIREAUS
- 4) please confirm vessel is fully classed LRS +100 A1 or equivalent also P+I club and state:
- 4.1 name of the classification society and P+I club: ABS AND AMERICAN CLUB

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- 4.2 any subject (recommendations) or condition imposed by class at the present time or from the commencement of the voyage/time charter: NONE
- 4.3 the registry owners will authorise the classification society to release details of class to charterers: OWNERS HAVE NO OBJECTION PROVIDED CLASS DO NOT
- 5) please give brief history of the following if any
- 5.1 grounding: NONE
- 5.2 stranding: NONE
- 5.3 collision: NONE
- 5.4 any other serious accident or time lost for repair during the past 12 months: NO ACCIDENTS TIME LOST.
- 5.5 arrest of vessel: NONE
- 5.6 last drydock and Special Survey: 30TH JUNE 2003 ON BOTH
- 7) vessel's last three voyages and cargoes (commencing from last) (SUNDERSONS) BAGGEÓ RICE - KANDLA/NIGERIA (HELM) - NANTONG/BABBAS (CHIRAI SALT INDIA) BULK UREA - WCINDIA/CHINA BULK SALT
- B) insurance 8.1 p+i charterers require that the club(s) confirm that owners disponent owners have paid their calls and that vessel is fully with p+i club and will be fully covered for the duration of the charter: CONFIRM
- 8.2 h+m charterers require confirmation that the insurance premium in respect of h+m cover has been paid and that the vessel is fully and will remain in force for the duration of the charter: CONFIRM
- 8.3 please advise h+m value of the vessel: USD 3.3 MILLION
- 9) please state the validity period of following trading certificates and fax copy to charterers upon request
- 9.1 Safety certificates (radio/construction/equipment)
- 9.2 Loadline
- 9.3 IOPPC
- 9.4 Tonnage certificate
- 9.5 Registry
- 9.6 Deratting
- 9.7 Classification
- 9.8 Hull+machinery certificate WILL SEND YOU AL THE CERTS AS AN ATTACHMENT YOU CAN PICK THE ONES OUT YOU NEED
- 10) Has freight and/ or charter hire and/ or receivable been assigned to any (mortagee or other) bank? NO

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11) Charterers nominated representative is free to board vessel at any

time to varify the replies of all this questionaire and access to inspect the conditions of the cargo on board: OK BUT ALWAYS AT CHRTS RISK AND TO BE COVERED ACCORDINGLY

- 12) Owners confirm vessel is fully ISM and ISPS code certified: CONFIRM
- 13) vessel to be fitted with GMDSS and telex number: CONFIRM /424831412
- 14) Service speed: ABT 11 KNOTS UNDER NORMAL WEATHER CONDITIONS BEAUFORT

Cargo:

Minimum 21.000 up to maximum 21.500 metric tons, in Owners' option of bagged sugar SF about 48' without guarantee.

Laydays/Canceling: 06/15 March; 2005

Freight: USD 81.00 per metric ton FIOS

Clause 30-A.

Freight payment 95 percent less commission / agreed despatch if any at load port to Owners within 3 banking days after completion of loading. Balance of 5 percent to be settled within 20 days after discharging along with demurrage/despatch, if any, at discharging port supported by Statement of Facts, Notice of Readiness and time sheets signed by all parties concerned.

Fax copies of the relevant documents (NOR / SOF etc.) to be accepted as well.

Master to load clean cargo and issue "Clean On Board" Bills of Lading. Provided that the cargo will be "clean".

Master to have the right to reject any cargo which could cause the clausing of the Bills of Lading and Charterers to arrange for replacement with sound one at their time/risk/expense.

Full freight deemed earned on shipment, discountless and non-returnable, vessel and/or cargo lost or not lost.

Owner's bank for remittance of freight, and if any deadfreight and/or demurrage to be advised.

Clause 31.

All opening and closing of hatches to be done in Owners time and performed by vessel's crew at Owner's expenses if permitted by local regulations, otherwise same to be for Charterer's/Receiver's account.



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Vessel has mechanical ventillation.

Clause 32.

Vessel will be held responsible for any damage to the cargo caused by master through ventilators and leakages of water and/or oil, from pipes and or valves and or tanks etc on board , due to wear and tear of the above, or any cause due to lack of due diligence.

Clause 33.

Loading Rate:

1.500 metric tons per weather working day of 24 consecutive hours, Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays excluded even if used.

At loading port time from Saturday noon till Monday 0800 hours or from 1700 hours on a day preceding legal or local holidays till next working day of 0800 hours, not to count even if used. No Turntime at loading port.

Discharging Rate: 2.000 metric tons per weather working day of 24 consecutive hours, Thursday noon, Fridays, Holidays excluded even if used.

> At discharging port time from Thursday 1200 hours, Fridays and Holidays from 1700 hours on a day preceding legal or local holidays till next working day 0800 hours, not to count even if used.

Loading and discharging rate will be independently of the number of holds the shippers / receivers will use. Master will always provide 5 ho/ha at shippers / receivers disposal.

Clause 34.

Notice of Readiness to be tendered during office working hours Monday to Friday between 0800 hours to 1700 hours at loading and discharging port and Saturday 0800 hours to 1200 hours at discharging port. Master's right to tender notice of readiness by cable/telex/VHF and time to count whether in berth or not, whether in port or not, whether custom cleared or not, whether in free pratique or not.

Clause 35.

Taxes and/or dues on cargo to be for Charterers / Receivers account, on vessel and/or freight to be for Owners account. At discharge port all port dues and/or charges on vessel, wharfages, dockage and/or berth occupancy charges to be for Owners account.

Any taxes and/or dues on cargo including in Brazil - B.M.M. Renewal Tax, P.U.T., INFRAMAR Tax or local equivalent, INFRACAIS and QUOTA DA PROVIDENZIA + CONTRIBUCIAO DA UNIAO to be for Receivers / Charterers' account.

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DA at discharge port as per ordinary / usual tariffs.

Clause 36.

Loading port: 1-2 safe berth Santos.

Discharging port: 1-2 safe berth or anchorages Chittacong.

Owners to check and satisfy themselves the draft limits, if any, at loading and discharging ports and vessel to leave/arrive not more than the permissible draft at respective ports. Vessel to be left in seaworthy condition and seaworthy trim between loading and/or discharging berths/anchorages and between the discharging ports.

Clause 37.

Time used to shift from lay-by berth, anchorage, roads to loading/discharging berth not to count unless if vessel is already on demurrage.

Clause 38.

Vessel to be left in seaworthy trim and condition to Master's satisfaction when shifting between berth/ports.

Clause 39.

Shifting time between berths, if any, to count as laytime, but all shifting expenses between first and second berths only, both ends, to be for Owners account.

Clause 40.

Cargo to be loaded in vessel's mainholds only, no option part cargo(es), no cargo to be loaded deeptanks. Extra trimming , if required, to be for Charterers account.

Clause 41.

Owners to issue "freight payable as per charter party "bills of lading at load port upon completion of loading by shippers and issue switch FRT PREPAID , bills of lading in Singapore through their protective agents against surrender/inexchange of first set bills of lading issued at loadport. The bills of lading maybe split in smaller lots and notify party name may be changed ,but the body of the bills of lading i.e commodity/specs/quantity and quality of the cargo -load-discharge ports etc remaining same of course after payment of freight.

Charterers are entitled to split and/or reissue new set of Bills of Lading. All original Bills of Lading to be cancelled and surrendered to Owners or their

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appointed representatives prior to issue of new set of Bills. Charterers to fax new set to Owners for their prior approval.

"FRT PREPAID" bills of lading will be released only after ows will receive the 100 pct of the freight in their bank account if "freight payable as per charter party" bills of lading then 95 pct freight payment.

Owners will be responsible only to deliver the whole quantity of cargo as stated in the bills of lading. Owners will not be responsible for the quantity delivered to each delivery order holder. Charterers will indemnify the Owners with letter of indemnity as per owners standard P & I Club wording.

Owners have the option to arrange for their own tally $\!\!\!/$ sealing of the cargo at their expense.

Only Clean Bills of Lading to be issued.

Clause 42.

Vessel is fully geared as per Clause 30, Master/Owners to provide valid cargo gear certificate issued by vessel's classification society.

Clause 43.

If vessel is placed under quarantine by reason of crew by health authorities for health reasons time not to count until such quarantine is lifted.

Clause 44.

Owners warrant vessel does not require any bagging, strapping and/or securing of the cargo when sailing between load port and discharging port.

Clause 45.

Master to give notice by telex/cable to 7/5/3/2/1 arrival notices at load port and discharging port agents on sailing from loading port and 3/2/1 day(s) estimated time of arrival.

Clause 46.

Charterers to be allowed to fumigate the cargo at their risk, responsibility and expenses, at loading and/or discharging port(s) during / after loading respectively before / during discharge any additional time used for fumigation to count as laytime. Costs for fumigation and lodging expenses of crew, if required by port authorities or by the recommendations of the party carrying out the fumigation or due to the nature of the fumigant to stay ashore, to be for Charterers' account.

Fumigation to be always as per the internatoinal health regulations

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Clause 47.

Demurrage US\$ 10.000 per day, pro rata, half despatch payable to Charterers on working time saved, both ends. Demurrage / despatch, at both ends, to be settled directly between Owners and Charterers. Charterers shall remain responsible for any demurrage at loading and discharging ports.

Clause 48. BIMCO ISM Clause

From the date of coming into force of the International Safety Management (ISM) Code in relation to the vessel and thereafter during the currency of this Charter Party, the Owners shall procure that both the vessel and "The Company" (as defined by the ISM Code) shall comply with the requirements of the ISM Code.

Upon request the Owners shall provide a copy of the relevant Document of Compliance (DOC) and Safety Management Certificate (SMC) to the Charterers.

Except as otherwise provided in this Charter Party, loss, damage, expense or delay caused by failure on part of the Owners or "The Company" to comply with the ISM Code shall be for Owners' account.

Clause 49.

Vessel to be free of any extra insurance and overage premium.

Clause 50.

Owners undertake that if required by Shipper's/Stevedore's to facilitate the loading the vessel shall warp along the quay at Owner's expenses, but in Charterer's time. If during warping will be needed to use tug boats a/o pilot, the cost of same to be for Charterers' account.

Clause 51.

Charterer's nominated agents at loading and discharging port(s), with Owners paying customary port disbursement and agency fees.

Clause 52.

In tendering notice of readiness at load port, vessel's holds/hatches to be presented in clean/good and absolute working conditions, dried, free of previous cargo residues, rust pieces, insects and up to the satisfaction of Shippers/Charterers surveyors for loading intended cargo as regard the cleanless / dryness / odourless of the holds.

In case vessel fails on hatch/ hold inspection, time not to count proportionally from the time that each hold was rejected till the time that each hold is ready for loading and passes the survey.

In case of dispute abt vessel's hold cleanliness then an independent surveyor to

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be appointed and his findings to be final and binding on both parties. Surveyors expenses to be for the party in default'

Clause 53.

As per BIMCO standard law and arbitration clause section 1, for small claims procedure amount shall not exceed US\$50,000.00 excluding interest and costs. All arbitrators shall be members of the LMAA who are experienced with all commercial shipping matters. This Charter Party shall be construed in accordance with English Law.

Arbitration in London.

Clause 54.

Charterers will make every endeavour to ensure that original Bills of Lading are available at discharging port on or prior vessel's arrival at discharge port. However, if original Bills of Lading are not available at discharge port then Owners/Master to permit discharge of cargo without delays against Charterers Letter of Indemnity as per Owners P. and I. Club wordings, signed by the Charterers and by the receivers (or two l.o.i(s) one signed by chrtrs and another one signed by receivers). Charterers to name theese receivers prior signing bs/l. Original Bills of Lading to be forwarded to Owners as soon as is becomes available.

Clause 55.

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Clause 56.

Owners confirm that the vessel is free of liens, mortgages and threat of arrests.

Clause 57.

Surf days to count as laytime, exept if no any load/disch operation at the port with other vessels.

Clause 58.

The following clause shall be deemed to be fully incorporated in the Charter Party and in all Bills of Lading issued hereunder:

- A. Clause Paramount
- B. Both-to-Blame Collision Clause
- C. New Jason Clause
- D. Voywar
- E. Arbitration Clause
- F. P. and I. Bunkering Clause
- G. ISPS Bimco Clause to apply

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Clause 59.

Owners confirm that the vessel has not met with any accidents or damages in the past one year.

Clause 60.

At loading port Owners to be responsible for paying, port agents up to maximum the first USD 40.000 for port D/AS and Charterers to pay port D/AS, if any, above this amount. It is understood port D/AS to include cost of supplying and laying of kraft paper and labour. Owners expenses / items (fresh water, cash to Master, medical, repairs, provisions, and crew matters etc.) to be always for Owners account.

Clause 61.

Vessel to be suitable for loading and carriage of intended cargo of bagged sugar.

Clause 62. Freight payment

Freight may only be paid to Head Owners or disponent owns of the vessel, provided that head owners will provide a letter that charterers can pay freight to managers.

Should Head Owners require freight payment to be made to an alternative beneficiary, then such payment is only to be made upon receipt by Charterers a duly authorized letter signed by all directors of the headowing company.

Clause 63.

Owners to allow Master to give vessel position from time to time as per Charterers nominated bankers to be in touch giving vessel positions via telex/inmarsat and giving vessel telex/inmarsat numbers.

Clause 64.

Basic war risk insurance / additional war risk insurance if any, at time of chartering to be for Owners account. Any increase in additional premium after Charter Party date to be for Charterers account.

The Owners

The Charterers

PRESTIGICUS SHIPPING COLLEGAY LTD

EXHIBIT 8

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IN THE MATTER OF AN ARBITRATION

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Between

PRESTIGIOUS SHIPPING CO. LTD.

... Claimants

And

AGROCORP INTERNATIONAL PTE LTD

... Respondents

POINTS OF CLAIM

- 1. The Claimants are owners of the ship or vessel M.V. "Prestigious" (the "Vessel"). By a charterparty dated 21st February 2005 on Sugar Charterparty 1999 form with additional clauses (the "Charterparty"), the Respondents chartered the Vessel for a shipment of a cargo of "minimum/maximum 21.000 metric tons up to max 21.500 metric tons in owners' option of bagged sugar sf about 48' without guarantee" from "1 2 safe berth Santos" to "1 2 safe berth and/or anchorages Chittagong" and there deliver the Cargo. A copy of the Charterparty is annexed herewith and marked as "Annex 1".
- The Claimants will refer the Charterparty as may be necessary for its full terms and effect.

Background Facts

 Pursuant to the Charterparty, the Vessel proceeded to Santos and loaded a total cargo of 430,000 bags of sugar, weighing a total of some 21,500.000 mt (the "Cargo"). In respect of this, 23 bills of lading were issued on the Congenbill 1994 form. Copies of the aforesaid bills of lading are collectively annexed herewith at "Annex 2".

- 4. The Vessel sailed from Santos on 15th April 2005 at 0030 hours and proceeded to Chittagong, the Respondents' nominated discharge port. The Vessel arrived at Chittagong on 1st June 2005, and notice of readiness was tendered at 1900 hours LT to the Respondents' agents M/s Mutual Shipping Limited (hereinafter the "Respondents' Nominated Agents"). A copy of the notice of readiness is annexed herewith and marked as "Annex 3".
- 5. Clause 22 of the Charterparty provides, inter alia:-

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*At discharging port, ... laytime for discharge to begin ... at 0800 hours next working day if written / cabled / telexed notice of readiness is tendered after noon.

Master has the right to tender notice of readiness from the customary waiting place in ordinary office hours.

Notice of readiness to be tendered to Agents in ordinary office hours (or local equivalents) and holidays excepted whether in berth or not / WIPON / WIFCON / WICCON.

- 6. In the premises and pursuant to the Charterparty, laytime for discharge of the Cargo commenced on Saturday, 4th June 2005 at 0800 hours, when the Vessel was ready in all respects to discharge the cargo.
- 7. Pursuant to the Charterparty, the Vessel was to discharge the Cargo at an average rate of 2,000 metric tons per weather working day of 24 consecutive hours, and time from Thursday 1200 hours, Fridays and Holidays from 1700 hours on a day preceding legal or local holidays till next working day 0800 hours, not to count even if used.
- Clause 22 provides as follows, inter alia:-

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Ship to discharge at the average rate of 2,000 metric tons calculated on gross weight provided vessel can deliver at this rate, per weather working day of 24 consecutive hours, time from Thursdays noon to 0800 hours Saturdays (or local equivalents) and from 1700 hours day preceding a holiday as per Bimco calendar until 0800 hours next working day excepted, even if used.

9. Further, Clause 33 of the Charterparty provides as follows, inter alia:-

Discharging Rate

2,000 metric tons per weather working day of 24 consecutive hours, Thursday noon, Fridays, Holidays excluded even if used.

At discharging port time from Thursday 1200 hours, Fridays and Holidays from 1700 hours on a day preceding legal or local holidays till next working day 0800 hours, not to count even if used.

Loading and discharging rate will be independently of the number of holds the shippers / receivers will use. Master will always provide 5 ho/ha at shippers / receivers disposal.

- 10. In the premises, laytime for the discharge of the cargo expired at 1057 hours on 20th June 2005 and consequently, the Vessel was on demurrage from 1057 hours on 20th June 2005. Demurrage begun to run and continued to run from 20th June 2005 until final discharge of the cargo laden onboard the Vessel.
- 11. In breach of the Charterparty, the Vessel did not complete the discharge of the Vessel until 15th November 2005 at 0430 hours LT, for reasons particularized in paragraphs 16 to 37 below.
- 12. Accordingly, the Vessel was on demurrage for 146 days 10 hours and 29 minutes (approximately 146.44 days), as particularized in the laytime statement of facts attached herewith and marked as "Annex 4".
- 13. Clause 23 of the Charterparty provides, inter alia:-

If longer detained in loading and/or discharging ports, demurrage to be paid at the rate of USD10,000 per day, or in proportion for any part of a day.

Laytime to be non-reversible between loading and discharging ports.

Demurrage or dispatch to be settled directly between Owners and Charterers in accordance with the terms, conditions and exceptions of this Charterparty.

14. Further, Clause 47 of the Charterparty provides:-

Demurrage US\$ 10,000 per day, pro rata, half dispatch payable to Charterers on working time saved, both ends. Demurrage / dispatch, at both ends, to be settled directly between Owners and Charterers. Charterers shall remain responsible for any demurrage at loading and discharging ports. (emphasis ours)

15. In the premises and by reason of the Respondents' breach of Charterparty, there is now due and owing demurrage in the sum of USD1,464,368.06. However, despite the Claimants' repeated demands, the Respondents have failed and/or refused to pay the sum of USD1,464,368.06 or any part thereof.

Respondents' Failure to Procure Discharge of the Vessel

- The settled and well established custom of practice at Chittagong is that the consignee together with the customs officer would board the Vessel and draw samples of the cargo for compulsory radiation test prior to customs clearance. After the completion of the radiation tests, the consignee would proceed to obtain a reduction of taxes and/or customs duty at the Chittagong courts.
 - 17. Clause 14 of the Charterparty provides:-

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<u>Stevedores for loading, stowing, trimming and discharging to be employed by Charterers or Shippers/Receivers at their expense and under Master's at their expense and under Master's and under Master's art their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are their expense are their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are their expense are their expense are their expense and under Master's art their expense are the expense are the expense are the expense are the ex</u>

control. Stevedores shall be considered as Owners servants, and the Charterers/Shippers/Receivers are not to be responsible for any negligence of whatsoever nature, default or error in judgment of the stevedores employed.

- Pursuant to the said Clause 22 of the Charterparty, the Respondents were 18. under an express and/or an implied duty to ensure that the Cargo was discharged within the laytime allowed.
- However, in breach of the Charterparty, the Respondents failed to ensure 19. that the Cargo was discharged within the laytime provided.

Failure to ensure that documentary formalities for the Vessel to discharge the cargo were complied with

- On or about 30th May 2005, prior to the Vessel's arrival at Chittagong, the 20. Claimants' protective agents, M/s Safe Shipping Lines (hereinafter the "Claimants' Protective Agents"), requested the Respondents to clear and/or discharge the Cargo by lightening the Vessel against a special 78-Customs guarantee from Chittagong Customs House whilst waiting for the consignees to clear documentation from the Chittagong courts and/or customs. The lightening of the Vessel was necessary so as to enable the Vessel to go alongside at berth as the Vessel's draft would not allow her to enter the shallow berth to commence discharge of the Cargo. A copy of the Claimants' Protective Agents' email to the Claimants dated 30th May 2005 is annexed herewith at "Annex 5".
- However, from 1st June 2005 to 12th June 2005, whilst the Vessel was at 21. Chittagong, the Vessel was unable to discharge the Cargo as the documentary formalities for the Vessel to discharge the cargo laden onboard were not ready and completed by the Respondents and/or their agents Copies of the Vessel's daily reports and and/or their receivers.

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correspondence showing the chain of events from 1st June 2005 to 12th June 2005 are collectively annexed herewith at "Annex 6".

22. In breach of the Charterparty to ensure that the Vessel would be discharged within the laytime allowed and/or their duty to discharge cargo, it was only at 0330 hours on 13th June 2005 that the Respondents, their agents and/or servants commenced the lightening of the Vessel after completion of the documentary formalities for the lightening of the Vessel by the Respondents, their agents and/or receivers. However, after lightening of the Vessel at anchorage, the Vessel could not berth until 7th July 2005 at 1336 hours as a berth was not available. A copy of the discharge report dated 13th June 2005 and 8th July 2005 are collectively annexed herewith at "Annex 7".

Failure to procure the "No Objection" certificate in order for the Vessel to discharge the cargo

- 23. Notwithstanding that the documentary formalities in respect of the lightening of the Vessel was procured, the Respondents were nevertheless unable to discharge the Cargo as the "No Objection" certificate was not procured by the Respondents, their agents or servants and/or their receivers. Consequently, the Cargo could not be discharged from the Vessel, which resulted in further delay and deternion of the Vessel.
- 24. Pursuant to Clause 14 of the Charterparty, The Claimants aver that the Respondents' obligations were to discharge the Vessel. Clause 14 of the Charterparty provides inter alia that "Stevedores for ... discharging to be employed by Charterers or Shippers/Receivers at their expense and under Master's control."
- 25. The Claimants also repeatedly sought the Respondents to obtain the "No Objection" certificate in order to complete customs formalities and to enable

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the discharge of the Cargo from the Vessel, but the Respondents failed and/or neglected and/or refused to do so and/or they failed to assist and/or to provide the consent timeously to the Claimants' agent, M/s Hudson & Higgins, completing custom formalities to carry out discharge instead.

- 26. In the premises, the Respondents are in breach of the terms of the Charterparty, resulting in the demurrage being incurred and the detention of the Vessel.
- 27. As a result of the Respondents' breach of the Charterparty and/or their duty and/or refusal to take delivery of and/or failure to discharge the Cargo laden onboard the Vessel, the Claimants were exposed to claims from M/s East West Trading and M/s Musa & Sons (collectively, the "Receivers") for delay in the delivery of the Cargo to them. The Vessel was further delayed from discharge as the Receivers were demanding payments for the alleged damage of the cargo and the parties were put to negotiate the quantum of payments to be made to the Receivers, which resulted in further delays to the Vessel. Copies of notices from the Receivers are collectively annexed herewith at "Annex 8".
- 28. Additionally, the Claimants aver that the Respondents' refusal and/or failure to take delivery of and/or discharge the cargo in hold number 1 resulted in the hold-up and further delays in discharge of any cargoes from the Vessel's other holds. The Claimants aver that discharging the cargo in hold number 1 by the Respondents was particularly important to facilitate the discharge of the cargo from other holds as a result of the trim of the Vessel and to ensure that the Vessel would not be subjected to structural stresses which could result in damage to the Vessel's hull.
 - The Claimants engaged in many discussions with the Respondents and the Receivers to procure the discharge of the Vessel, which resulted in even

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further delays to the Vessel. In the course of these discussions, the Respondents verbally informed the Claimants that if the sum of USD 1.1 million were paid to the Receivers, then the Claimants' claim for demurrage of the Vessel against the Receivers would not be prejudiced and that the claim would remain alive, but that if the Claimants paid the sum of USD 1 million, this would be in compromise of the Claimants' claim for demurrage.

- In mitigation and to avoid incurring further losses through delay and/or detention of the Vessel, as well as to avoid causing damage to the Vessel, the Claimants agreed to execute an Amicable Settlement Agreement dated 7th August 2005 with the Receivers, so as to expedite the discharge of the Cargo and to prevent the Vessel from damage. In consideration of the Claimants paying the sum of USD 1.1 million in respect of the remaining 3,805 mt of cargo in hold number 1, the Receivers would give to the Claimants the "No Objection" certificate to obtain permission for the discharge and the destruction of the allegedly damaged cargo by M/s Hudson & Higgins at the Claimants' risk, time, responsibility and expenses. A copy of the Amicable Settlement Agreement dated 7th August 2005, together with the Addendum Settlement Agreement of even date are collectively annexed herewith at "Annex 9".
- 31. The USD 1.1 million that was paid to the Receivers was not the invoice value of the cargo concerned. The invoice value for M/s Musa & Sons' cargo is USD 144,095.00 (805 MT @ USD 179 per MT) and the invoice value for M/s East West Trading's cargo is USD 537,000.00 (3,000 MT @ USD 179 per MT), i.e. a total invoice value of USD 681,095.00.
- 32. The Receivers confirmed receipt of the funds of USD 1.1 million on 8th
 August 2005 and the "No Objection" certificate was eventually issued on 10th
 August 2005, which the Receivers had held back from giving the Claimants.
 The "No Objection" certificate would have expedited the discharge of the

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Vessel and consequently resulted in substantial delay to the Vessel. A copy of the confirmation and email are collectively annexed herewith at "Annex 10". As the "No Objection" certificate was only provided on 10th August 2005, this coincided with the monsoon / wet season at Chittagong, which resulted in even further delays to the Vessel's discharge of the cargo. As a result of the Respondents' breach and/or failure to discharge, and consequently the difficulties in the discharge of the cargo, the Claimants were faced with added bureaucracy of obtaining numerous permits and permissions from the Chittagong Customs Authorities and other authorities at Chittagong such as the Department of Environment, Department & Forest Ministry, Controller of Movement & Storage, Port Police Station, Sea Fish Survey Management Unit (Fishing Directorate).

- The discharge of the Cargo from the Vessel eventually commenced only on 33. 16th September 2005.
- On or about 29th September 2005, it was alleged by the Receivers that there 34. may be some damage to the cargo in hold number 3 which led to cargo discharge being stopped from the Vessel. In order to expedite the process of the discharge of the cargo in mitigation of their loss and to avoid delay, the Claimants paid the sum of USD 500,000.00 to the Receivers, whereupon discharge re-commenced. The quantity of the cargo allegedly damaged in hold number 3 was 1,104 mt, and the sum of USD 500,000.00 was derived at a price of USD 572 per mt, some USD 139 per mt more than her invoice value of USD 179 per mt, customs duty value at USD 231 per mt and stevedoring expenses at USD 18 per mt. Copies of the exchanges of emails regarding settlement of the discharge of the cargo in hold number 3, the claim bill and the remittance confirmation are collectively annexed at "Annex 11".

- 35. Even taking the steps aforesaid at paragraphs 30 to 34 above, i.e. that the sums of USD 1.1 million and USD 500,000.00 have been paid to the Receivers to procure her discharge, the Respondents failed to and/or neglected to and/or refused to expedite the discharge of the Cargo from the Vessel and/or delays which resulted as aforesaid in paragraph 32 above, the discharge was only completed on 15th November 2005 at 0430 hours, resulting in the Vessel's delay and detention.
- 36. The Vessel eventually sailed out from Chittagong on 24th November 2005 at 2320 LT. A copy of the Master's report is annexed herewith at "Annex 12".
- 37. In the premises, the Respondents suffered losses and/or damages by reason of the Respondents' said breach and/or breaches of the Charterparty.

AND THE CLAIMANTS CLAIM:-

- (i) Pursuant to paragraph 15 above, demurrage due in the sum of USD1,464,368.06;
- (ii) A declaration that the Claimants be indemnified and an indemnity for the Charterers' refusal to take delivery of the Cargo and any other incidental losses arising from the Charterers' breach in not taking delivery of the cargo in hold no. 1 in the sum of USD 418.905.00, being the difference between what the Claimants paid to the Receivers in the sum of USD 1,100,000.00 less the invoice value for M/s Musa & Sons' cargo in the sum of USD 144,095.00 and the invoice value for M/s East West Trading's cargo in the sum of USD 537,000.00;
- (iii) A declaration that the Claimants be indemnified and an indemnity for the Charterers' refusal to take delivery of the Cargo and any other incidental

losses arising from the Charterers' breach in not taking delivery of the cargo in hold no. 3 in the sum of USD 27,488.00, being the difference between what the Claimants paid to the Receivers in the sum of USD 500,000.00 less the invoice value including customs duty value and stevedoring expenses for the cargo in the sum of USD 472,512.00;

- Such further and other relief that this Honourable Tribunal deems fit; (iv)
- (v) Interest;
- (vi) Costs.

Dated this 33 day of March 2007

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